

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2275**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Umberg**

February 22, 2006

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An act to amend Section 84606 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2275, as introduced, Umberg. Campaign expenditure disclosures.

Existing provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1974 require the Secretary of State to determine and publicly disclose, in consultation with the Department of Information Technology and other specified bodies, when online and electronic disclosure systems are operating effectively, and provide that no system shall become operative until the Department of Information Technology approves it. Existing law also relieves filers of the obligation to file paper copies or with local filing officers once these determinations are made and specifies the date that online or electronic reports shall be deemed received by the Secretary of State.

This bill would delete all references to the Department of Information Technology.

The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act's purposes with a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of each house and compliance with specified procedural requirements.

This bill, which would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act, would therefore require a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote.

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 84606 of the Government Code is  
2     amended to read:  
3     84606. The Secretary of State shall determine and publicly  
4     disclose when the online and electronic disclosure systems are  
5     operating effectively. In making this determination, the Secretary  
6     of State shall consult with the commission, ~~the Department of~~  
7     ~~Information Technology~~, and any other appropriate public or  
8     private entity. ~~The online or electronic disclosure system shall~~  
9     ~~not become operative until the Department of Information~~  
10    ~~Technology approves the system.~~ Upon this determination, filers  
11    required by this chapter to file online or electronically will no  
12    longer be required to file a paper copy or with local filing  
13    officers. Furthermore, the date that a filer transmits an online or  
14    electronic report shall be the date the filed report is received by  
15    the Secretary of State.  
16    SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that the  
17    provisions of this act further the purposes of the Political Reform  
18    Act of 1974 within the meaning of subdivision (a) of Section  
19    81012 of the Government Code.